

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Mitt Romney, Governor ◆ Kerry Healey, Lt. Governor ◆ Jane Wallis Gumble, Director

May 2, 2005

Mr. Robert Nelson, Chairman Board of Selectmen Town Hall 511 Main Street Dunstable, MA 01827

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed Dunstable's recently submitted Affordable Housing Plan pursuant to the provisions of Planned Production regulation, 760 CMR 3 .07. Based on our review of the plan, we have determined that Dunstable is in conformity with the provisions of the Planned Production regulation. Therefore, I approve the Affordable Housing Plan for the Town of Dunstable. For the purposes of Planned Production, approved plans are considered to be in effect on the date we received all required elements of the plan. For Dunstable, this date is February 9, 2005.

Now that you have an approved affordable housing plan, you may request DHCD certification of compliance with your plan. Compliance with a plan occurs when:

- 1. The town has produced housing units affordable to low- and moderate-income households during one calendar year that total at least ¾ of one percent of the year round housing units;
- 2. All units produced are eligible to be counted on the Subsidized Housing Inventory (SHI). If you have questions about which units are eligible for the SHI, please visit the link below: http://www.mass.gov/dhed/ToolKit/EligSumm.doc.; and
- 3. The housing units have been produced in accordance with the <u>Affordable Housing Plan</u> and the Planned Production Guidelines.

If the units meet these criteria, we will certify that you are in compliance with your plan within 30 days of receiving your request for certification.

I applaud your efforts to plan for the housing needs of Dunstable. If you need assistance as you implement your plan, please contact Phillip DeMartino, Office of Policy Development, at (617) 573-1357.

Sincerely,

Jane Wallis Gumble

Director

Cc: Senator Steven C. Panagiotakos Representative Robert S. Hargraves

David Johnson, Chair, Dunstable Affordable Housing Committee